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Education and selected skills

B.S. Computer Science (with honors) and **minor in Mathematics** from Carnegie Mellon University. GPA 4.00.

Honors thesis in logical foundations of programming languages: *A general system of adjoint logic*.

(All requirements fulfilled; degree to be conferred.)

Proficient or better in: Python, Java, C, Haskell; JavaScript, React; Google App Engine; Git; L^AT_EX, TikZ, Blender 3D.

Experience

Google Brain

Mountain View, CA

Software Engineering Intern

May–August 2017

- Worked on the TensorFlow team developing TensorBoard, an open-source framework that helps developers and researchers to understand, debug, and improve their machine learning models.
- Designed and implemented a rich plugin system to enable all users to write data visualizations tailor-made for their purposes. This system is already used by external contributors. Work spans web frontend, Python backend, and core TensorFlow API design.

Addison-Wesley Publishers

Pittsburgh, PA

Technical editor for Effective Java, 3rd edition

February–December 2017

- Contributed novel technical content, in addition to suggesting improvements to prose, grammar, typography, etc.

Khan Academy

Mountain View, CA

Software Developer Intern (infrastructure)

May–August 2016

- Extended the site's core content system to enable creating and curating content separately for different languages and locales, as opposed to simply translating existing content.
- Conducted extensive testing of correctness, performance, memory, and cost to ensure a smooth transition upon launch.
- Improved tooling to help translators, content creators, and international teams work effectively with the new content system.

Khan Academy

Mountain View, CA

Software Developer Intern (frontend and backend)

June–September 2015

- Frontend, backend: added CMS support for thumbnail upload, compositing, storage, and usage; implemented streaks (à la Duolingo).
- Backend: implemented hot loading of JSX and CSS/Less for development; sped up internal content publish process by 57%.

Selected projects

Assorted interesting course projects

Java

- A data visualization framework supporting arbitrary data plugins (e.g., web scrapers) and visualization plugins (e.g., histograms).
- An expanded version of *Scrabble*, including well-tested core logic and a polished GUI.
- More details (technical descriptions, documentation, screenshots, videos) at wchargin.github.io/projects/cmu-15-214.

Microcomputer assembler and simulator

JavaScript

- Web-based interactive simulator for the LC-3, a teaching microcomputer, to supersede the standard Windows application.
- Simulator includes accurate instruction cycle, debugging tools, polling-based and interrupt-driven I/O, and file upload/download.
- Released as free software at wchargin.github.io/lc3web. Used by more than 2,000 students of Cal Poly's CPE 225 course to date.

Model United Nations debate moderation system

Java

- Created and deployed an application system that unifies the tools that chairs need to aptly moderate debates.
- Implemented networking across multiple computers to maximize efficiency; separate modes for head chair, director, and rapporteur.
- Deployed system at multiple conferences; system used by dozens of chairs and hundreds of delegates.
- Released as free software; available at wchargin.github.io/kiosk/.

Automated grading system

Bash, Java

- Automatically tests and grades student work for style and correctness, according to customizable and extensible grading modules.
- Grades and archives all student work at assignment due dates, and immediately emails students with helpful feedback.
- Includes tool to efficiently manually investigate failing submissions, to ensure that all grades are accurate.